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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the concurrent filing of a U.S. national stage application of PCT Application No. PCT/IL00/00056, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly replace the "Related Applications" section on page 1, immediately after the title, with the following section:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a U.S. national filing of PCT Application No. PCT/IL00/00056, filed January 27, 2000. This application is also related to PCT Application Nos. PCT/IL00/00055 and PCT/IL00/00058, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly replace the present claims 6, 9, 10-13, 15-20, 22, 24-26, 28, 29, 31-38, 40, 41, 43-47, 49, 50, 53, 56, 58-72, 75-77, 80-82, 92-97, and 99 with the following claims in clean form:

Q2 6.(Amended) Apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said force application mechanism moves said force applicator during one stroke of said reciprocating motion.

Q3 9.(Amended) Apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said force application mechanism comprises a selective coupler that selectively couples said input motion to said force applicator.